
SIGNS, SIGNALS AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS

A SAFE DRIVER ALWAYS CONSIDERS SIGNS, SIGNALS AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS WHILE MAKING DRIVING DECISIONS.

KNOW THESE SIGNS BY THEIR COLORS

1. **STOP**
red



2. **Service Information**
blue



3. **Warning**
yellow



4. **Construction Warning**
orange



5. **Directional**
green



KNOW THESE SIGNS BY THEIR SHAPES

1. OCTAGON



All stop signs are octagons.

2. DIAMOND



Most warning signs are diamonds.

3. TRIANGLE



All yield signs are triangles.

4. RECTANGLE



Most regulatory signs are rectangles.

5. ROUND



Round signs warn about railroads.

6. FIVE-SIDED



School signs look like a building.

KNOW THESE SIGNS BY THEIR SHAPES

7. The **NO PASSING ZONE** sign is this shape.



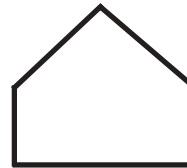
8. Interstate highway marker.
These roads go through
many states.



9. State highway marker.
These roads go through our state.



10. This sign must be put on slow
machinery or vehicles which
go slower than 25 M.P.H.



When slow machines travel on the road, they must have this sign on the rear. It means the driver of a car must slow up or they may run into the big, slow machine.

REGULATORY SIGNS

(MOSTLY BLACK AND WHITE)

Regulatory signs tell about laws. A driver must obey regulatory signs.



Red



Red



Red



These are some of the regulatory signs. They tell drivers what to do, and what **NOT** to do, so that traffic moves properly.

This is the only traffic sign with eight sides.

It means:

- Come to a **COMPLETE** stop just behind the sign.
- Do not drive into the intersection.
- Do not drive into the crosswalk.
- Do not go until it is safe.



Red

This is the only sign that is three-sided and points down. It means:

- Slow to **A REASONABLE SPEED** per hour. **YIELD**. That is, let the traffic on the other street go on by before you drive through the intersection.



REGULATORY SIGNS

(BLACK AND WHITE)



1. You must not make a left turn at this intersection.



2. You cannot turn around to go in the opposite direction at this intersection.



3. The road ahead is a one-way roadway, or all vehicles are prohibited. Do not enter.



4. You must not pass any other vehicle going in the same direction you are.

REGULATORY SIGNS

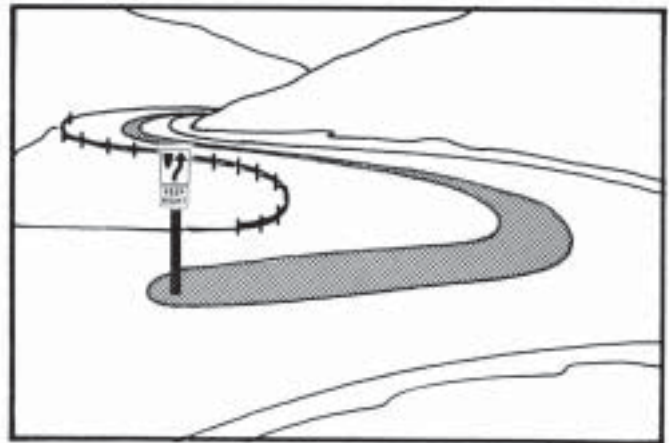
(BLACK AND WHITE)

Regulatory means you MUST obey.

1. You are coming to a place where the speed limit is lower.



2. Traffic must keep to the right of some obstruction.



3. Visibility is limited at night.
Your speed will be limited too.



4. When you have passed this sign, you are again permitted to pass other vehicles, with care.



WARNING SIGNS

(YELLOW AND BLACK)

Warning signs are **YELLOW** and **BLACK**. They mean that there may be danger ahead. Slow down. Watch carefully.



Most warning signs are diamond shaped.

Some warnings look like this:



They tell the top safe speed.

Some look like this:



They warn that the road changes direction in a way that could surprise a driver.

One warning sign is round.
Watch for trains. Slow down,
look, listen, be prepared to stop.



WARNING SIGNS

(YELLOW AND BLACK)

One warning sign is pennant shaped.
Do Not Pass.



This is an important kind of sign:



This shows a driver where to expect more traffic to be coming from.

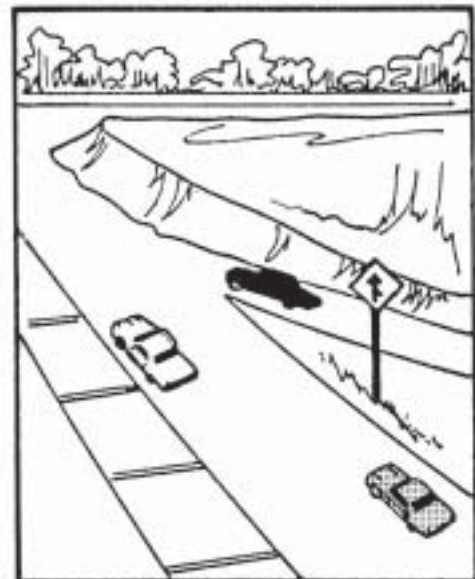
They are **MERGING** signs.

MERGING means joining. More traffic may be going to join the road and drive along the same way.

The driver on the main road has the right of way.

It is courteous for this driver to signal and move over if there is enough room in the other lane.

Sometimes the driver in the merging car has to yield and wait.



WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)



1. There is a sharp turn to the **LEFT** ahead. **REDUCE SPEED.**



2. There is a sharp turn to the **LEFT**, then a sharp turn to the **RIGHT. REDUCE SPEED.**



3. There is a gradual turn to the **LEFT**, then a gradual turn to the **RIGHT. REDUCE SPEED.**



4. The road ahead turns often. **REDUCE SPEED.** Keep well to the right. Watch for approaching traffic.



5. The road you are on comes to an end ahead. **REDUCE SPEED.** You will have to turn either right or left.

WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)

1. You should not drive faster than **35 M.P.H.** on the turn ahead. Signs like this tell the top safe speed. If the road is bad or the weather is bad, take the curve even more slowly.



2. Another road crosses the highway ahead.



3. A side road enters highway ahead, at an angle. This one enters from the **RIGHT**. Watch out for cars entering.



4. A side road enters highway ahead, from the **RIGHT**. Watch out for cars entering.



WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)



1. School ahead. Slow to **15 M.P.H.** Watch for children **AT ALL TIMES**.



2. You are approaching a school crossing. Slow down to **15 M.P.H.** Watch for children **AT ALL TIMES**. This sign does not show a crosswalk.



3. School children cross the road here. You must stop if the crosswalk is occupied. This sign **DOES** show a crosswalk.



4. A school bus might be stopped up ahead. Maybe you cannot see it because of a hill or curve. Be ready to stop.

WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)

This sign warns that school children may be crossing here.



There are more signs that warn about people and animals crossing.

Remember: **XING** means **CROSSING**.

1. Walking people are called PEDESTRIANS. That word is too big for the sign, so just PED is used. Pedestrians may be crossing the road ahead. Slow down.



2. Deer have a habit of crossing the road around here. Watch out for them at all times.



3. A highway quite often splits a farm. This sign shows where livestock may be driven crossing the road.

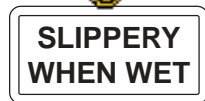


WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)



1. The road is **ICY** and **DANGEROUS**.



2. The roadway is **SLIPPERY** if it is wet. Go slowly.



3. The road ahead goes **DOWNHILL**. Trucks gear down and may be going slowly. Watch for them. Be careful. **SLOW DOWN**.

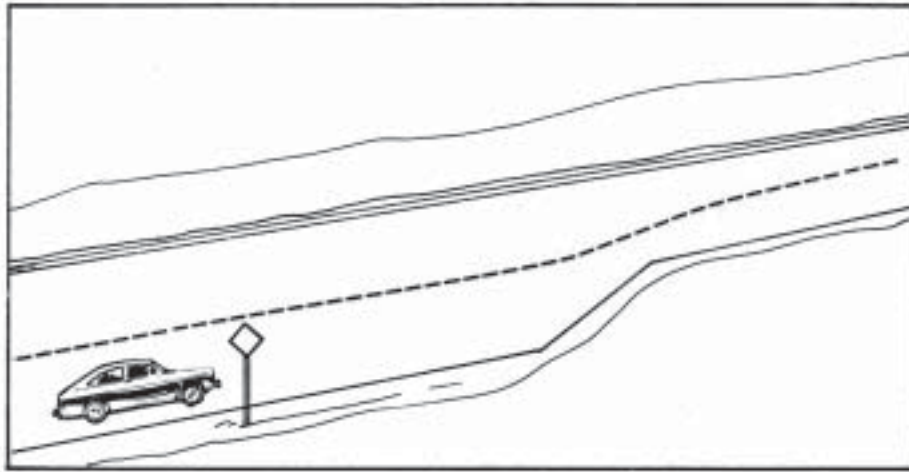


4. There are no fences and cattle may wander out onto the road. Be careful. Be ready to stop.

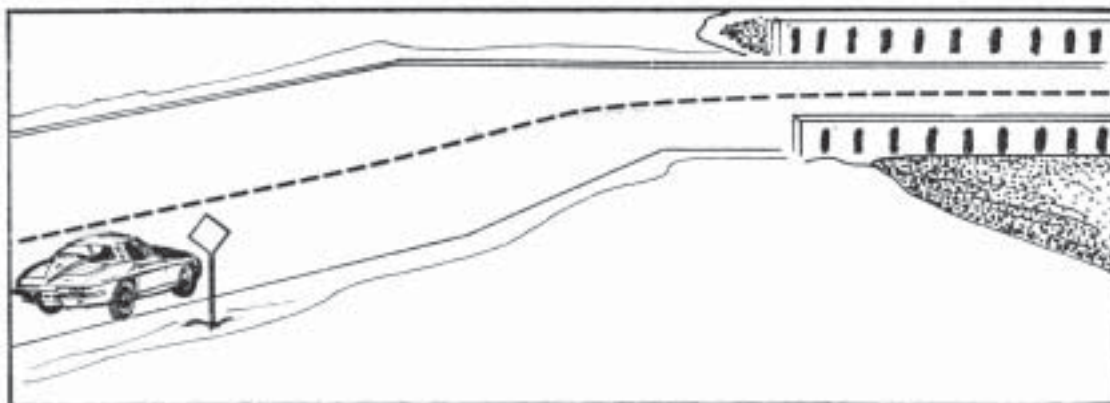
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(YELLOW AND BLACK)

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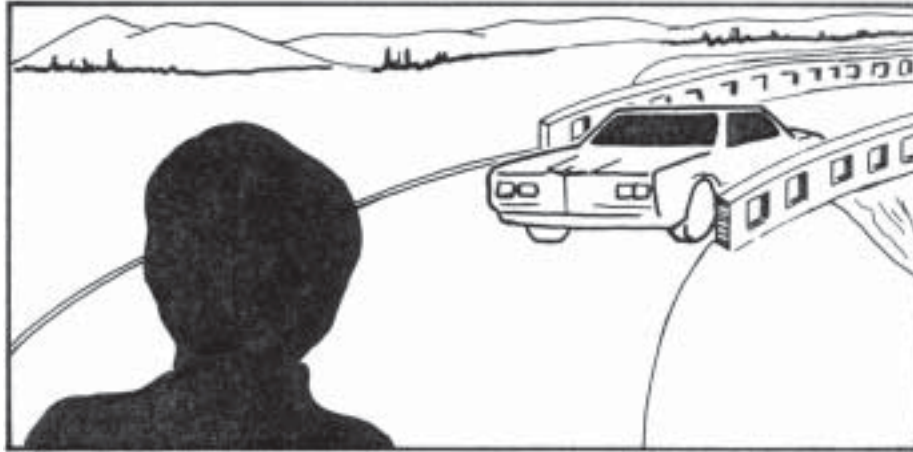


The bridge ahead has two lanes, but it **MAY** be too narrow to meet a truck on it. Slow down. Wait for oncoming trucks to cross.



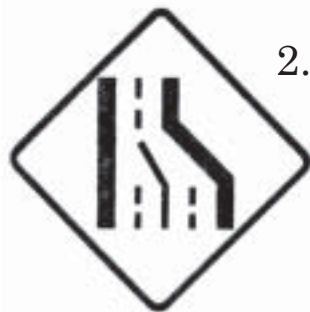
WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)



1. There **IS NOT ROOM** on the bridge ahead to meet or pass a car or truck.

When a lane ends and a road is going to get **NARROWER**, you may see a warning sign like this one.

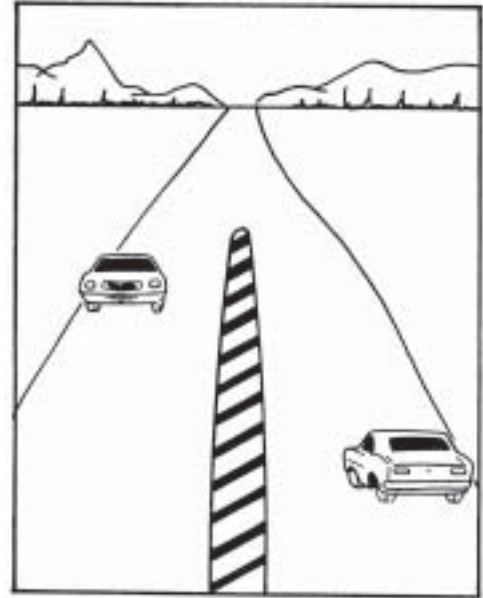


2. Do not stay in the outer lane. You might be forced off the pavement.

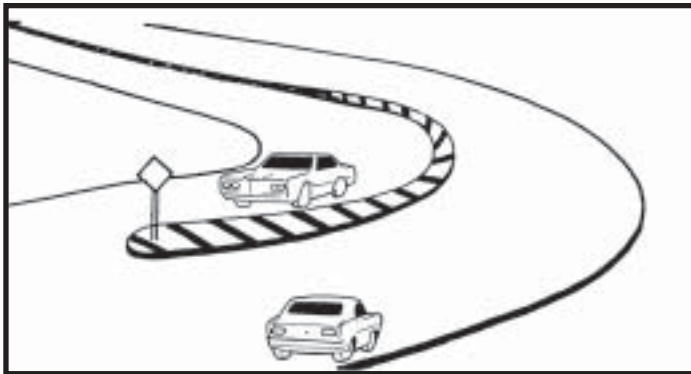
WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(YELLOW AND BLACK)

The road ahead is not divided.
The one-way road changes to
two-way. Keep to the right.



1. In the diagram below, the highway gets wider.



2. Keep right, you are coming to a one-way road.



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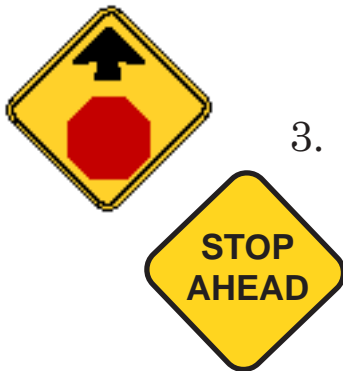
(YELLOW AND BLACK)



1. You are approaching an overhead obstruction. It might be an old bridge or an old underpass. If you have a high load, you may not be able to get through.



2. Where there are no fences, cattle and horses may be on the highway. Be alert. Keep watching for them.



3. There is a **STOP** sign ahead. Slow. You must stop ahead.

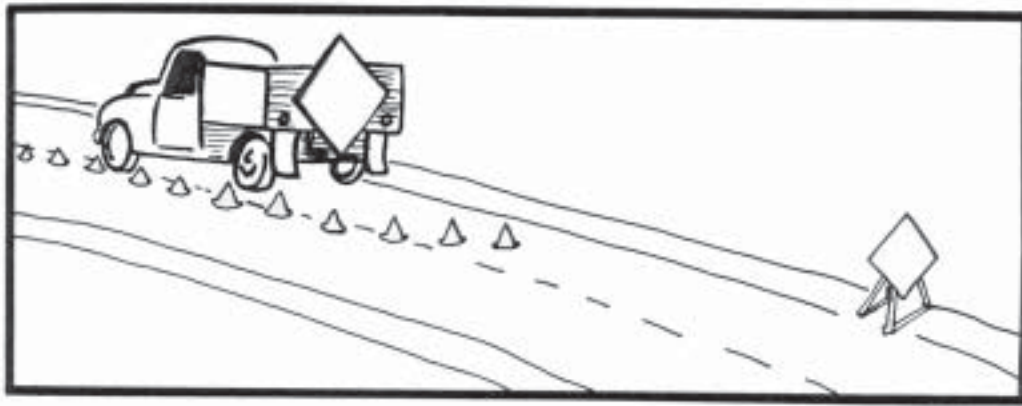


4. Railroad sign. This is the only **ROUND** warning sign. Slow. Watch. Be ready to stop if a train is coming.

WARNING SIGNS—WHAT THEY MEAN

(ORANGE AND BLACK)

Construction Areas



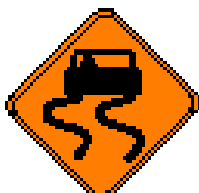
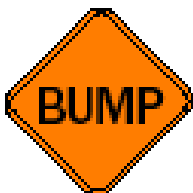
The road is being built or repaired ahead. Men may be working on the road. Heavy machinery may be crossing the road. Flagmen may be standing on the road.



ORANGE signs warn of road **CONSTRUCTION**.



Construction signs can give drivers many warnings:



WARNING SIGNS—CONSTRUCTION AREA

(ORANGE AND BLACK)

Construction Warning Signs are **ORANGE**.



Highways must be repaired. Repairmen must be protected. Slow down. Be alert. Maximum speed is 35 M.P.H.



There are men working on the highway ahead of you. Drive slowly.



A place in the road is not finished. You will have to go around. Signs like this will show you which way to go.



WARNING SIGNS—CONSTRUCTION AREA

(ORANGE AND BLACK)

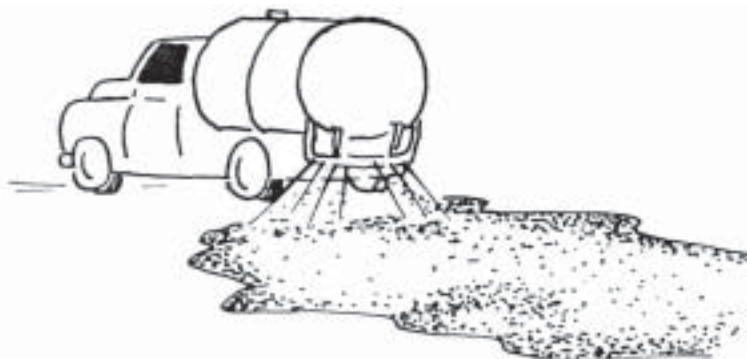
One side of the road is soft. Don't drive off the pavement.



Loose gravel can cause your car to lose control or can be thrown onto your windshield by another car.



The road ahead has just been oiled. Proceed carefully, oil can be slick.

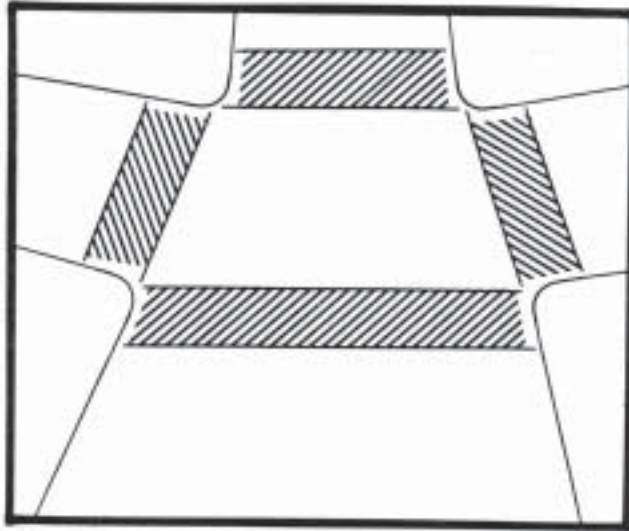


ROAD MARKINGS

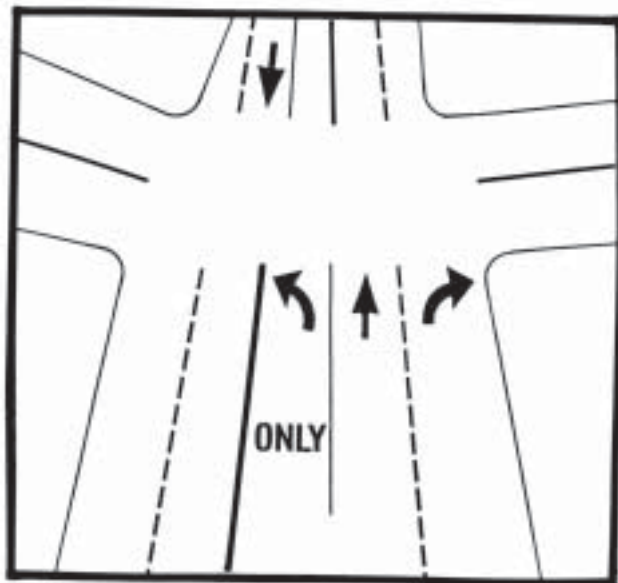
OTHER

Obey pavement markings. Watch out for such pavement markings as:

Pedestrian crosswalks—



Lane markings—
turn arrows

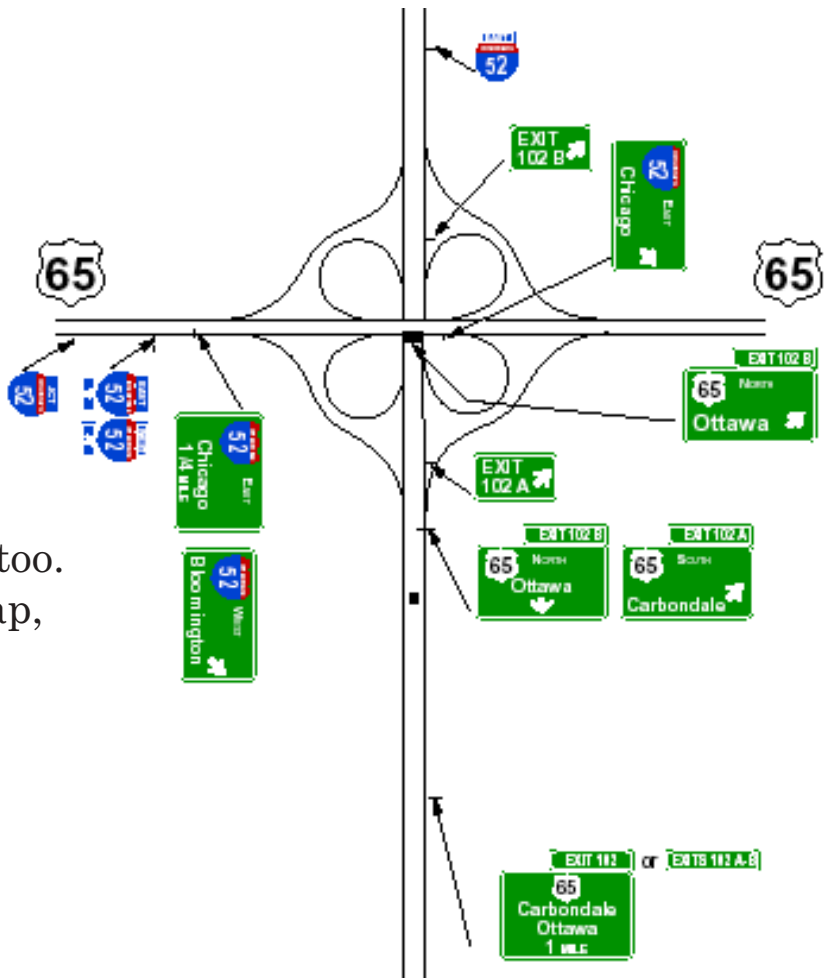


GUIDE SIGNS

Signs like this help a driver to find the right way to go. These signs are beside the road.



Sometimes guide signs are over the road.

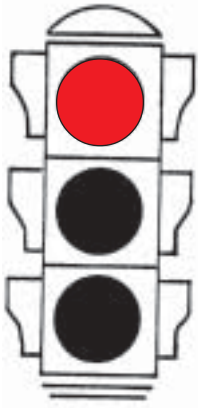


Guide signs are on maps too. The driver studies the map, then watches out for the right highway marker.

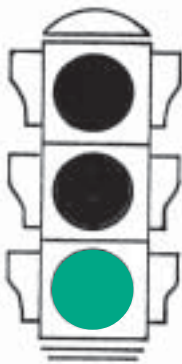
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Obey all traffic signals.

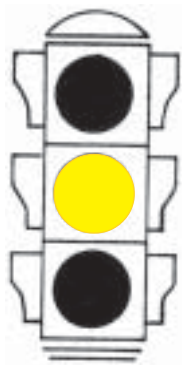
It is a dangerous and foolish mistake to disobey traffic signals.



STOP—The red light is always at the top.
Do not go until it changes to green.

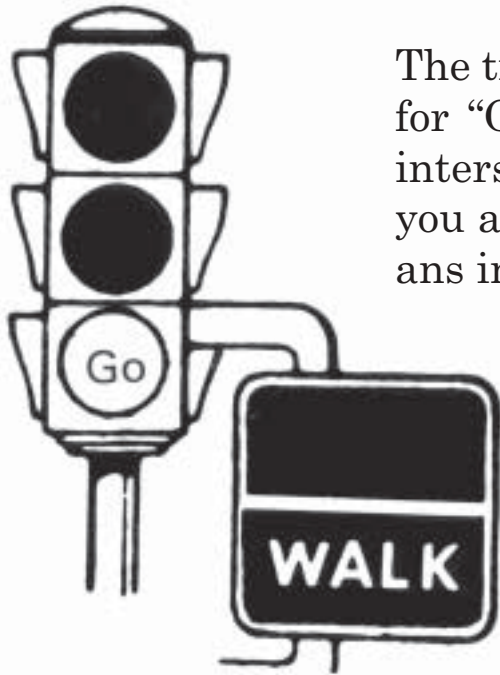


The green light is always at the bottom.
It means go, **IF** you are certain the way is clear.

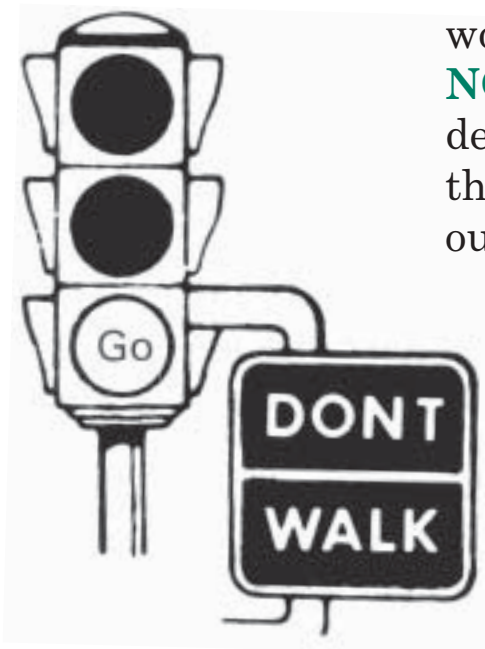


The yellow light means get ready to stop.
Do not drive into the intersection if you can safely stop.
You must not be in the intersection when the light turns red.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS



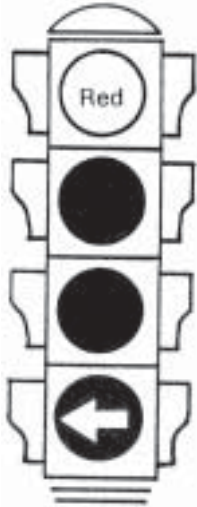
The traffic signal light will indicate GREEN for “Go.” Pedestrians may walk now if the intersection is clear of traffic. Be careful if you are turning. You must yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk.



Even though the light is green for “Go,” the words tell pedestrians that **THEY MUST NOT LEAVE THE CURB NOW**. Some pedestrians disobey. They think they can leave the curb because the light is green. Watch out for that person.



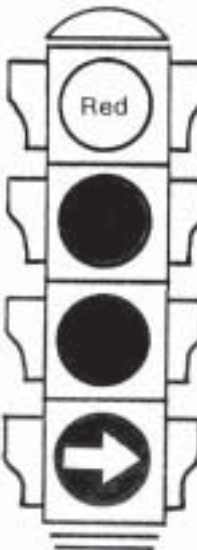
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STOP.

Do **NOT** go straight ahead.

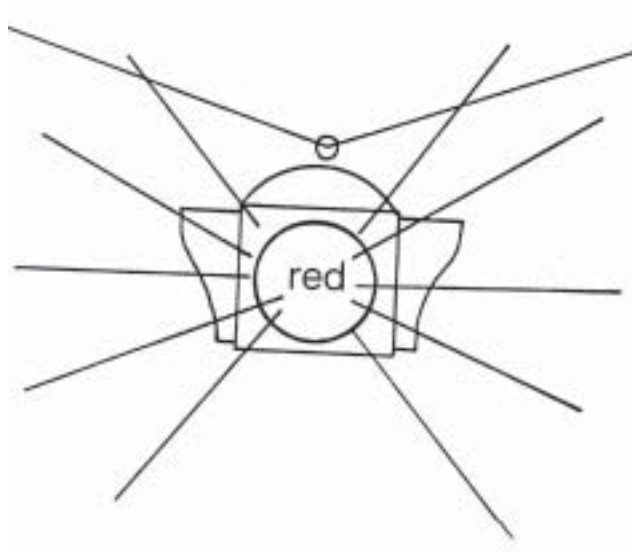
Turn **LEFT** when the arrow is **GREEN**, and turn only the way the arrow points.



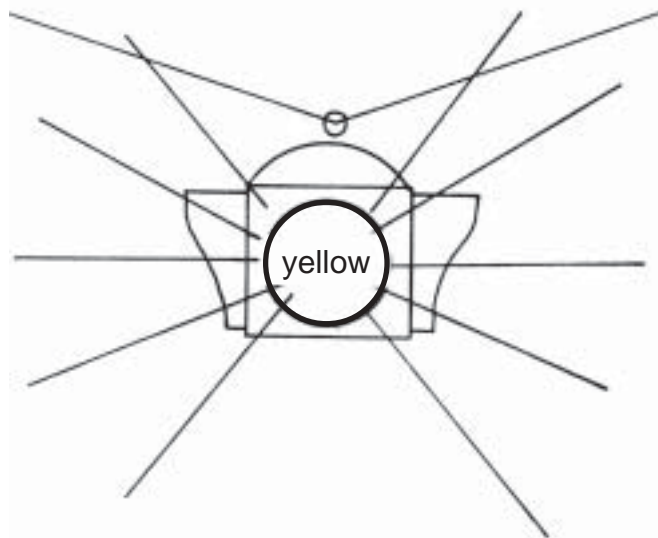
STOP.

Do **NOT** go straight ahead. Turn **RIGHT** when the arrow is **GREEN**, and turn only the way the arrow points.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS



The RED flasher means **STOP**.



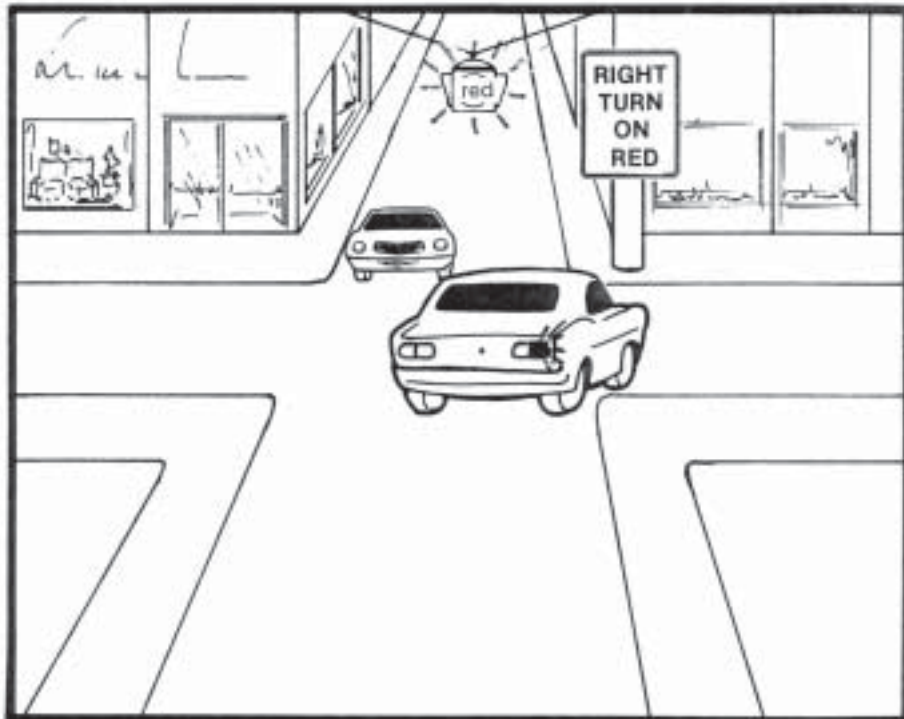
The YELLOW LIGHT flashing or steady means **SLOW DOWN**.
Use **CAUTION**.

TURNING

Right turn on red

You may turn right on red, **AFTER STOP**, unless there is a sign that says you may not.

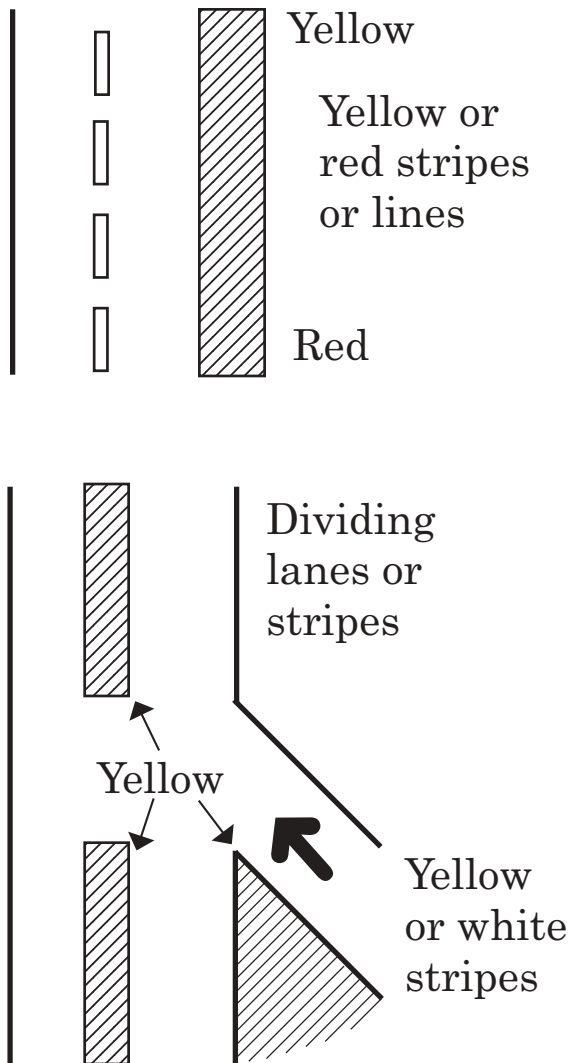
**RIGHT
ON RED
AFTER
STOP**



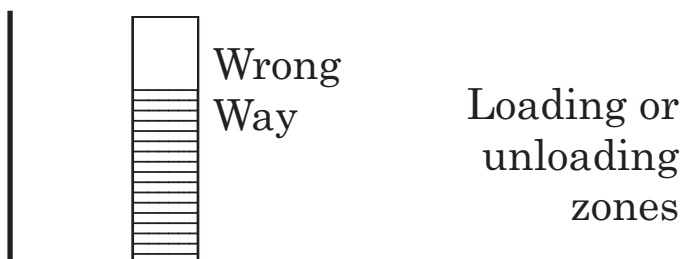
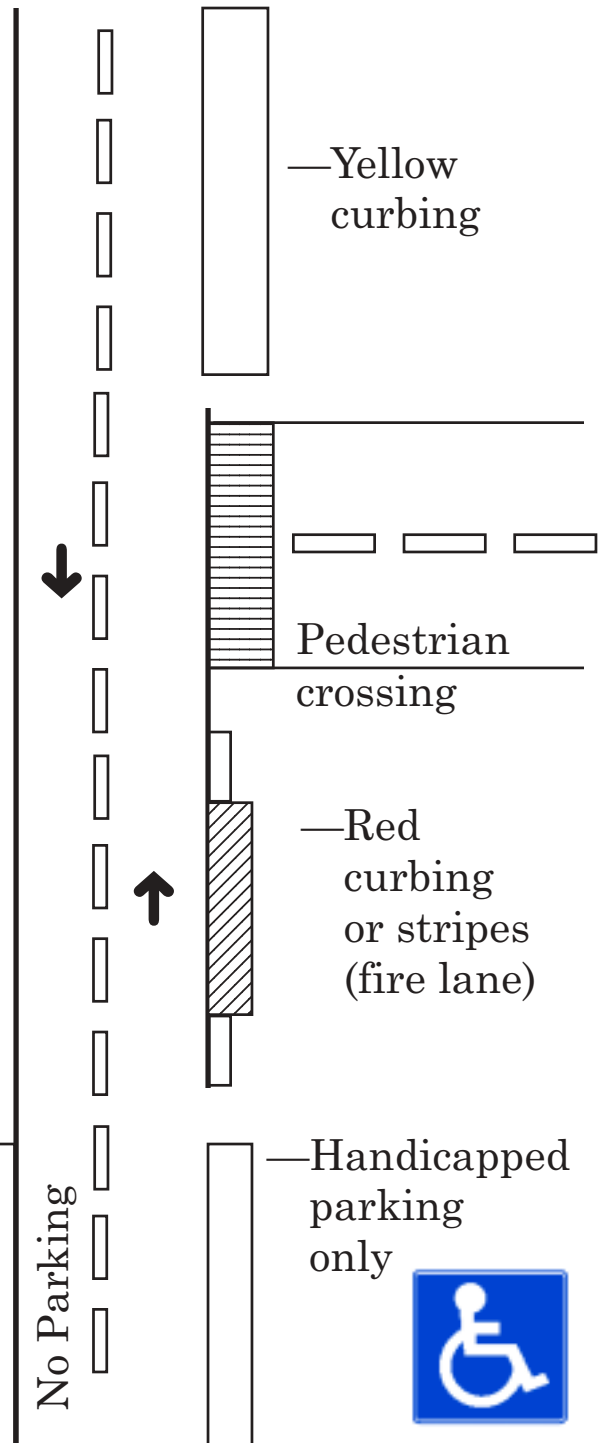
PAVEMENT MARKINGS

They tell you where **NOT** to **PARK** or **DRIVE**

NO DRIVING on or over



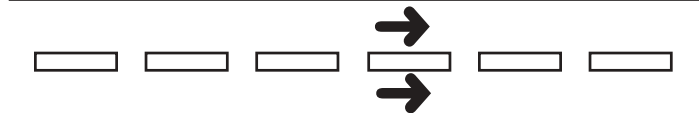
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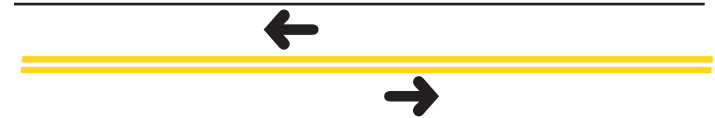
PAVEMENT MARKINGS



Single Broken Yellow Line
(road center line: passing allowed)



Single Broken White Line
(dividing line between one-way lanes)



Double Solid Yellow Line
(road center line: no passing zone)



Single Solid White Line
(line marking the side of the road)



Single Broken/Single Solid Yellow Lines
(road center line: passing not allowed
when solid line is in your lane)



Bicycle Lanes or Pathways
(located on roadway shoulder between solid white lines)

SELF-TEST

SIGNS, SIGNALS AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS

Directions: Choose only one answer.

1. At a traffic light which is flashing yellow:
 - a. you must stop and wait for the red.
 - b. you must stop and wait for the green.
 - c. you must slow down and proceed with caution.

2. You may turn right on red:
 - a. if there is a sign that says you can.
 - b. after stopping.
 - c. after slowing down.

3. If the “Don’t Walk” signal is on, a pedestrian:
 - a. may cross if no cars are coming.
 - b. must not cross; it is not safe to do so.
 - c. should stop in the intersection.

4. This sign means:
 - a. a school bus may be stopped ahead.
 - b. everyone must stop ahead.
 - c. yield right of way to buses.

5. This sign means:
 - a. you must slow if you see cars.
 - b. slow down to a reasonable speed and yield to other vehicles.
 - c. slow down, give right of way to cars on right.



6. This sign means:
- a. you will have to drive in the left lane.
 - b. slow down; there are men working ahead.
 - c. loose gravel ahead.



7. This sign means:
- a. slow to at least 35 M.P.H.
 - b. the road ahead is rough.
 - c. detour ahead.



8. This sign means:
- a. sharp curve ahead.
 - b. the road turns to the right.
 - c. there is a road entering the highway from the right.



9. This sign means:
- a. you must stop and go when it is safe.
 - b. the highway ahead is covered with loose gravel.
 - c. road construction ahead.



10. This sign means:
- a. the road turns sharply to the left.
 - b. the road turns gradually to the left.
 - c. winding road ahead.



11. This sign means:
- a. there is a crossroads ahead.
 - b. there is a railroad crossing ahead.
 - c. stop ahead.



12. This sign means:

- a. flashing yellow light ahead.
- b. you must stop ahead.
- c. you must stop if you see another car.



13. This sign means:

- a. stop if you see cattle.
- b. cattle crossing ahead.
- c. there are no fences and cattle may wander onto the road. Be prepared to stop.



14. This sign means:

- a. you may turn to the right.
- b. you must not turn left at this street.
- c. you must go straight.



15. This sign means:

- a. the road turns very sharply.
- b. the road curves to the left and then to the right.
- c. windy road ahead.



16. This sign means:

- a. you may pass if it is clear ahead.
- b. you must not pass the car ahead; it is not safe.
- c. do not pass without honking horn.



17. This sign means:

- a. there is room for one car only.
- b. the bridge ahead is wide enough for two cars to meet and pass but with little room.
- c. do not pass on bridge.



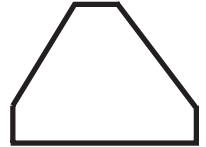
18. This sign means:

- a. watch for children during the daytime.
- b. school ahead; watch for children at all times.
- c. sound horn and slow down.



19. On the back of a vehicle a sign with this shape means:

- a. do not pass any vehicle.
- b. this is a slow moving vehicle and it will not be going more than 25 M.P.H.
- c. yield to this sign.



20. This sign means:

- a. you must stop if other cars are coming.
- b. you must come to a complete stop before entering the intersection ahead.
- c. you must stop before turning.



21. This sign means:

- a. there is only room for one lane of traffic.
- b. the road ahead is not as wide as the one you are on, but vehicles can meet and pass.
- c. you are coming to a gravel road.



